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In re application of:

Fodor et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO/SB/08A are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed. It is respectfully requested that the cited references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Applicants update information regarding litigation of US 5,800,992, which issued from an application in the priority chain of the present application. The US District Court for the Northern District of California has recently held that the claim term "substantially complementary" is indefinite and there is a lack of written description for the word "mixture" in the claims in the '992 patent.. The Decision is subject to appeal. In any event, the present claims do not use the terms "substantial complementarity" or "mixture."

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Respectfully submitted,

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